EXHIBIT 18

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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This document relates to the following case:

North Newton School Corp. v. Amerada Hess Corp., et al., No. 04-cv-2057

STIPULATION AND ORDER OF DISMISSAL UNDER FED. R. CIV. P. 41

The Plaintiff and the Settling Defendants Lyondell Chemical Company and Equistar Chemicals, LP (the "Lyondell Defendants") (collectively, the "Parties") have advised the Court that they have resolved the matters between them and agreed to the entry of this Stipulation and Order of Dismissal of the claims against the Lyondell Defendants as indicated by the signature of the respective counsel below. This Court finds that this Stipulated Order of Dismissal should be entered, with the findings included below:

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED as follows:

- 1. This Court has jurisdiction over the Parties to this Stipulation and over the subject matter of this action. The Parties to this Stipulation have advised the Court of their agreement to settle this matter pursuant to a Settlement Agreement, a Release, and this Stipulated Order of Dismissal.
- 2. The Parties to this Stipulation consent to the dismissal of this action as to the Lyondell Defendants only, including all claims and counterclaims, with prejudice.
 - 3. Each party shall bear its own costs and attorneys' fees.

AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED BY:	
Dated: June <u>//</u> , 2009	Dated: June <u>17</u> , 2009
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SO ORDERED:	
	e Honorable Shira A. Scheindlin nited States District Judge